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Mysuru COVID-19 UPDATE

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	404
Total positive cases	:	44,137
Discharges yesterday	:	261
Total discharges	:	36,105
Deaths yesterday	:	3
Total deaths	:	912
Total active cases	:	7,120

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Editor: M. GOVINDE GOWDA, M.A.

Mysuru, Saturday 17th October 2020

Ph.D awardees

Mysuru, Oct. 17- The University of Mysore (UoM) has awarded Ph.D in Journalism & Mass Communication to **Lokesh Mosale** for his thesis 'Karnataka Rajyadalli Moudya Nivaraneyalli Vidyunmana Madyamagalu hagu Samajika Madyamagala Patra: Ondu Toulanika Adyayana' submitted under the guidance of Dr. B.P. Mahesh Chandra Guru.

M. Sowmya has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada for her thesis 'Kannada Pouranika Kadambarigala Adhyayana (2000 to 2015)' submitted under the guidance of Dr. Shahaseena Begum.

A.V. Dhanya has been awarded Ph.D in Earth Science by the UoM for her thesis 'Fluxes and Sources of Carbon — along the Kabini River, Southern India' [Guide: Dr. K.N. Prakash Narasimha].

H.C. Charan has been awarded Ph.D in Chemistry by the UoM for his thesis 'Synthesis of Nanomaterials and Graphite Modified Electrodes and their Kinetics of Degradation of Dyes' [Guide: Dr. S. Ananda].

H. Sudhakar has been awarded Ph.D in Kannada by the UoM for his thesis 'Kannadada Pratinidhika Kadambarigalu Mathu Cinema Madhyama' [Guide: Dr. Mailahalli Revanna].

JSS Institute of Speech & Hearing has awarded Ph.D in Speech and Hearing to **Meghashree** for her thesis 'Analysis of Cry in Infants with High Risk Factors' submitted under the guidance of Dr. N.P. Nataraja.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

A British historian has created a storm in a kapi cup by describing the idli – the steamed rice cake which is the beloved breakfast dish for millions of Indians – as 'the most boring food in the world'. While one outraged respondent decried the idli thumbs-down as 'blasphemy', senior Parliamentarian and acclaimed author Shashi Tharoor has suggested that the idli iconoclast is more to be pitied than censured for his obvious lack of culinary refinement. Unrepentant, the man who instigated the idli imbroglio – and who, incidentally, is married to a Keralite and has confessed that he has eaten the dish in question many times at the home of his in-laws – has stuck to his guns and said that his opinion remains unchanged.

Literary lore has it that the French novelist Marcel Proust wrote his monumental seven-volume *In Search of Times Past* ***after eating a madeleine butter cake which brought back memories of his childhood. The idli has yet to find its own Proust whom it will inspire to compose a magnum opus of 3,200 pages. But in many ways the rice-based preparation is like an edible version of a palimpsest, a sheet of paper on which different things can be written, and rewritten, in endless variation.***

Thanks to its subtle taste and fluffy texture, the idli can be relished with a wide selection of accompaniments. It is perhaps most often savoured with sambhar, the spicy vegetable stew the ambrosial aroma of which gives you a foretaste of what heaven must be like. It is enjoyed with a creamy coconut chutney – my personal favourite – or with the appropriately named 'gunpowder', a pungent garnish which explodes on your tastebuds like a gustatory grenade. Many eat it piping hot by itself, with no add-ons other than a light drizzle of fragrant ghee.

Bread is called the staff of life, because like a staff it supports our lives. Using a similar metaphor, the idli can be called the stuff of life, because, like life itself, it invites endless invention. The Brit whose tweet triggered the uproar over the iconic ingestible might well reflect on a new variant of an old saying: An idli mind can be the devil's workshop.

— Jug Suraiya in The Times of India

NEWS SPARKLERS

'Alien' movie fan recreates spaceship locations in apartment

Barcelona: A longtime fan of the 'Alien' franchise has spent three years turning his Barcelona apartment into a replica of the Nostromo spaceship interior depicted in Ridley Scott's original 'Alien' film.

The 43-year-old Barcelona man has spent the last two decades collecting Alien-related memorabilia and for the last three years he has been working on his very own Alien Museum, an apartment decorated as the most iconic locations depicted in the movie. Today, his epic project is nearly complete, and it looks absolutely amazing.

After three years of working on his personal Alien museum in his free time, Luis Nostromo describes the project as a "dream come true" and hopes to put the finishing touches on it by the end of 2020.

Nail and thread portraits of Konstantin Khlanta

Moscow: Russian artist Konstantin Khlanta creates intricate portraits of celebrities and fictional characters by wrapping colored string around strategically placed nails.

27-year-old Khlanta, who hails from the Russian city of Tula, only started doing string art in 2018, when he created a portrait of Chester Bennington, lead singer of Linkin Park, who had passed away a year before. Interestingly, it was Linkin Park who inspired his artistic career, as he only took up drawing back in 2008 after hearing their son the music video for Linkin Park's 'Numb' in which he saw a woman drawing and decided to give it a try himself.

Konstantin Khlanta said that he starts by sketching the design he wants to reproduce, after which he proceeds to attach nails over the sketch to create an outline. He then removes the sketch and starts wrapping colored thread around the nails. The overlapping threads end up creating his intricate designs.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What is the current death toll for antibiotic resistance?

At least 23,000 Americans die each year as a direct result of antibiotic resistant bacterial infections. MRSA infections kill more Americans than emphysema, HIV/AIDS, Parkinson's disease and homicide combined.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

COVID-19 UPDATE

Mandya

Figures as per Government Media Bulletin released last evening

Positive cases yesterday	:	246
Total positive cases	:	14,636
Total discharges	:	12,621
Total deaths	:	130
Total active cases	:	1,885

Chamarajanagar

Positive cases yesterday	:	62
Total positive cases	:	5,430
Total discharges	:	4,546
Total deaths	:	96
Total active cases	:	777

Kodagu

Positive cases yesterday	:	105
Total positive cases	:	4,271
Total discharges	:	3,503
Total deaths	:	55
Total active cases	:	713

Hassan

Positive cases yesterday	:	195
Total positive cases	:	22,799
Total discharges	:	18,923
Total deaths	:	351
Total active cases	:	3,525

Really...?

- *Snakes & Ladders originated in India: The game was initially invented to teach young children about morals and karma. It was later commercialised and has become one of the world's most popular board games.*
- *Chess was invented in India: One of the oldest games in the world that is still played, the popular game was invented around the 6th Century AD.*

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Guide: I welcome you all to Niagara Falls. These are the world's largest waterfalls and the sound intensity of the waterfalls is so high that every 20 supersonic planes passing by can't be heard.

Now, may I request the ladies to keep quiet so that we can hear the Niagara Falls!!

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Traditional start for simple Dasara

- Dr. C.N. Manjunath urges Govt. to treat Corona Warriors, who die while on duty, as 'Martyrs'
- All tourist spots in Mysuru and Mandya open for visitors

Mysuru, Oct.17 (MTY&SSV)- After months of COVID-19 pandemic, Mysuru came alive with the opening of Dasara-2020 festivities atop Chamundi Hill today. The city will be bubbling with enthusiasm and gaiety for the next nine-days on account of Navarathri celebrations which is celebrated as Dasara festival here.

Dr. C.N. Manjunath, Director, Sri Jayadeva Institute of Cardiovascular Sciences and Research, Bengaluru, declared open this year's Dasara festival by offering flowers to the idol of Goddess Chamundeshwari, seated inside the Silver Chariot, amid chanting of hymns by temple priests. The idol of Chamundeshwari was decked up with colourful flowers. The tunes of *Nadaswara,* a traditional musical instruments troupe, added to the festive mood. This time, the State Government has decided to celebrate *Nada Habba* in a simple manner in view of spurt in Corona positive cases.

(See DASARA on page 10)

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NEWS BRIEFS

Pratibha Puraskar

Sri Ganiga Educational and Charitable Trust has invited applications from meritorious Ganiga Community students who have scored high marks in SSLC and PUC (2019-20) for presentation of Pratibha Puraskar. Community students and students from Backward Class (Category-2A) from Mysuru district, who have scored more than 85 percent marks are eligible to apply. Interested community students can apply online - www.sgect.in. Applications sent through post will not be considered. The last date for applying is Oct. 25. For details, call Mob: 99007-20037/99008-18151 or email:ganiga.edn.chtrust@gmail com, according to a press release.

Entries invited for Best Youth Association award

Nehru Yuva Kendra, Mysuru, coming under the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports, has invited entries from youth organisations, for awarding Best Youth Association of the District (2019-20). The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 25,000 and a certificate. Interested youth associations are required to submit certificates, photos and press clippings regarding their voluntary services carried out for community development through sports activities, cultural programmes, health and family welfare, environmental programmes etc. during Apr. 1, 2019 to Mar. 31, 2020. The last date for applying is Nov. 2, 2020 before 5 pm. Youth associations selected in the district-level would be sent to participate in the State-level competitions. The prescribed applications are available at Nehru Yuva Kendra Office located on Rajarajeshwari Temple Road, Visveshwaranagar Industrial Suburb, Mysuru-8. For details, call Ph: 0821-2489858, according to a press release.

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(Maximum : 2,859.00 feet)

Today	2,858.43 ft
Inflow	2,012 cusecs
Outflow	1,550 cusecs

Ramakrishna Ashrama's green initiative draws huge public response

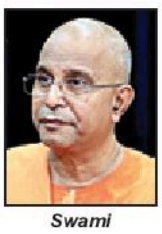
Mysuru, Oct. 17 (SBD& DM)- City's Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama's green initiative, launched in memory of Swami Sureshanandaji has received tremendous response from the public.

The Ashrama launched the initiative with the theme *Mysuru Hasiraagirali, Viveka Namma Usiragirali,* under *Haccha Hasira Mysuru, Viveka Prabheya Mysuru* programme on Sept. 27 and till Oct. 15, the Ashrama has distributed over 29,200 tree saplings to more than 4,807 members of the public. At the same time, 4,200 people have been distributed *Viveka Prabha* and *Spoorthi* Kannada magazines, which explain the true values of life.

To encourage people to read and understand the magazines, the Ashrama will be conducting tests and the toppers will be awarded cash prizes. The first prize winner will get Rs. 6,000, second prize winner Rs. 5,000 and the third prize winner will be awarded Rs. 3,000. Consolation prizes will be given to others.

The sapling distribution drive will continue till November end and those interested can collect the saplings at Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala in Yadavagiri, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama on KRS Road, Viveka Memorial site at NTM School premises on N.S. Road and Ramakrishna Vidyakendra in Ramakrishnanagar from 10 am to 12 noon and from 3 pm to 5.30 pm on all days, upon submission of personal details such as Aadhaar Card and address proof. Every individual will be given five saplings that can be planted in homes.

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama President Swami Muktidanandaji told *Star of Mysore* that late Swamiji Sureshanandaji was an ardent lover of plants and the green drive was initiated in his memory. Pointing out that the 61 acre campus of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala in Yadavagiri, which was a barren land, now looks like a mini forest with varieties of trees and plants, many of them being rare variety, he said that such an initiative will make the people realise the importance of having greenery around us.



Swami Muktidanandaji

Urging the people to develop a habit of growing useful plants in the premises of their homes, he said that living among plants and natural surroundings will bring freshness to the mind and added that even children could learn a lot about plants as they get an opportunity to watch them closely every day.

Highlighting the importance of having a terrace garden, Swami Muktidanandaji said that it brings freshness to life and also helps in educating children about growing plants and plant culture.

Referring to the distribution of *Viveka Prabha* and *Spoorthi* magazines, he said that these books are very much educative on true values and experiences of life as propounded by Swami Vivekananda. Appreciating the co-operation extended by Bhudevi Farm located on Hunsur Road for the Ashrama's green initiative, he thanked the public for their active participation in making the initiative a huge success.

The Ashrama is looking ahead for its centenary celebration in 2024-25 and is planning for a purposeful celebration, focussing on spirituality, peace, harmony, life values etc., he said.

MCC invites applications for temporary posts

Mysuru, Oct. 17- In order to enhance staff strength for meeting COVID-19 testing targets, the Mysuru City Corporation (MCC)has invited applications from eligible candidates for appointment as Lab Technicians, Swab Collectors and Data Entry Operators on temporary basis.

The appointment is being made for 20 posts of Lab Technicians and 20 posts of Data Entry Operators.

Candidates applying for Lab Technician post must have Lab Technician, Nursing, Para Medical course certificates, Diplomas or Science graduates. The selected candidates for Lab Technician post will be paid a monthly salary of Rs.10,000 and an incentive of Rs.15 per swab collection.

Candidates applying for Data Entry Operator posts must have passed PUC or equivalent and should hold a certificate in computer training (6 months duration) from a recognised institution. The selected candidates will be paid a monthly salary of Rs.14,000. The aspirants can immediately contact the Office of MCC Commissioner, according to a press release from MCC Commissioner Gurudatta Hegde.

Obituary

Ravi

Mysuru, Oct. 17 - Ravi (54),

proprietor of Ravi Shamiyana on Maruthi Tent Road at Janata Nagar and a resident of Paduvarahalli, passed away this morning at his residence following heart attack.

He leaves behind his sister among other family members and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam this noon.

Dr. L. Sridharamurthy

Dr. L. Sridharamurthy (75),

retired Professor of Economics at Maharani's College for Women, Mysuru, and a resident of Ramakrishnanagar, passed away on Oct. 14 in city.

He leaves behind his wife, one son and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites will be performed tomorrow (Oct. 18) at 10 am at the foot of Chamundi Hill.

Prof. Hyma Udayasanker

Prof. Hyma Udayasanker (86),

retired HOD of Zoology at S.N. College, Kannur in Kerala and a resident of Jayapura, passed away yesterday at her farm house on Mananthavadi Road here.

She leaves behind her daughter Geetha J. Raman, Vice-Principal of Mount Litera Zee School, Mysuru, son-in-law Capt. Jagadesh Raman, grandchildren, great grandson and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed at Chirashanthidhama in Gokulam yesterday.

VOICE OF THE READER

Provide tatkal passport facility at Post Office Passport Seva Kendra in Mysuru

Sir,

The Post Office Passport Seva Kendra (POPSK) located at Metagalli in Mysuru accepts online passport applications from the citizens but under the normal category only. The tatkal passport facility is not made available here but it is available only in a select few PSKs located in other cities across Karnataka. Thus one is compelled to travel to Bengaluru, only to avail the tatkal appointments.

It is suggested to provide the facility of tatkal passport appointments even at Mysuru POPSK. The same will be of immense benefit to the applicants without the need to travel to Bengaluru. The facility can be started-off on an experimental basis at Mysuru POPSK itself initially and then extend it to the other POPSKs located across Karnataka, based on the demand and popularity.

It is hereby suggested to the Regional Passport Office, Bengaluru, to initiate even the tatkal passport appointments facility at Mysuru POPSK.

—Varun Dambal

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Vikram Muthanna

For a few weeks now, a debate has been raging, especially between the "Cautious Mysureans" Vs the "Daft Dare Devils of Mysuru"; between "COVID Warriors" Vs "Political Warriors", the names of these groups may sound like IPL teams, but unlike cricket which has a positive outcome, they are debating over this year's "festive" Dasara which could have a negative outcome.

So, do we need such a "lit-up" and festive Dasara? Doctors are especially a worried lot because they feel people are drawn to illumination like moths to a flame, and we all know what happens to the moths. They fear people will gather at illuminated Circles and this could be fatal, both for the patient and the already wobble fragile healthcare infrastructure. But alas the lights have arrived so also colourful structures and dolls at vantage points and with that the selfie frenzy has begun.

But many ask, don't people need some cheer in these gloom and doom days? Yes, indeed. People need a break for this constant gloom and doom. That is why during the initial lockdown days people across the world came to their balconies to sing, play instruments etc. Now we have lights and props all across our city to cheer us up.

In fact, in the United States and a few European nations, people have already put up Christmas lights! Yes, they have illuminated their streets and homes with decorative Christmas lights three months ahead. In 2014, a Journal of Consumer Psychology study found that the more intense the lighting, the more affected and intense the participants' emotions were — Feelings of warmth increased when participants were exposed to bright light with hints of reddish hues. A sensation of angst increased when bluer light dominated.

Some studies have found that light affects even how much we eat, how fast we eat, what kinds of food we're in the mood for, and even our perception of flavour. Now Mysureans, after a high dose of Dasara Illumination, will surely head out to the chaat joints for a savoury and spicy gastronomic delight where, of course, masks come off and people will crowd.

It seems, lights can also trigger dopamine, the 'feel good' chemical in the brain, So yes, we will feel good when we watch Dasara illumination from the comforts of our car and as we move along in our bikes but people seldom want to "just see" anymore. These days they have to capture the moment and show the world they were there. This obsession to capture the moment will lead to a momentary lapse in judgement and masks will come off and social distancing will go out. That is a recipe for disaster.

That is why a frustrated doctor, speaking against illuminating Circles in city said, "People don't seem to realise that medical professionals are dying trying to save civilians!" He used the word "civilian" instead of patients, because the medical professionals today, like soldiers, are dying trying to rescue civilians who are walking into COVID hotspots without mask or maintaining social distance. No wonder today in his inaugural speech Dr. C.N. Manjunath said, Medical Professionals who have died "in the line of duty" of COVID care must be declared Martyrs. Indeed, they should and should be compensated too.

Meanwhile, we have to say, our new DC while is busy fighting COVID has some relief when it came to Dasara. We remember former DC C. Shikha was burdened with heading 39 Committees! Then it was DC Abhiram G. Sankar who had 35 Departments to run and then was made the Special Officer for 17 Dasara Sub-Committees !

As if all this wasn't enough, the DC was the Co-ordinator between Food Committee and Hygiene Committee, then he had to flag off elephants and approve decoration for the city! At one point we thought if the Mahouts went on strike the poor DC may have to turn Mahout too!

That is why the demand of the former Mayors of Mysuru for setting up of a Permanent Karnataka Dasara Authority on the lines of Karnataka Exhibition Authority should be considered. Of course, the ex-Mayors are surely thinking of 'post-Mayor' positions more than making Dasara manageable. And, of course, there is money to be "handled." But the idea is good and the Government can always have a mix of their cronies and honest professionals.

Dasara Authority can even outline the deliverables and outsource it to a management company. Grand festivals and sports events throughout the world are outsourced to event management companies. Why not Dasara? They can also make it more viable by coming up with a profit-sharing model instead of draining the State exchequer for Dasara.

For now, as for the illumination and procession, the Government has done what it feels is right. May be, it will bring the much needed cheer to the people. May be, people will be cautious and follow COVID guidelines. But still, let's pray we don't have a "dark" Diwali in November because we had a "bright" Dasara in October.

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Handful of devotees witness Theerthodbhava

Madikeri, Oct.17 (PS&DM)- Amidst clear skies and a favourable weather, the Holy Cauvery *Theerthodbhava* took place at Talacauvery, the birth place of River Cauvery in Madikeri taluk of Kodagu district at 7.04 am today in the auspicious *Tula Lagna* of *Kanya Rashi*.

As soon as the sacred water sprung from the *Theertha Kundike* at 7.04 am, scores of people ofthe district eruptedin joy.

Due to COVID-19 pandemic, the District Administration had restricted the entry of devotees to *Theertha Kundike* and *Pushkarini* (Temple Pond). As such, only a handful of people were allowed entry to witness the annual event from close range. The rituals began as early as 5 am, with a team of priests led by Gopalkrishna Achar, performing puja at the *Theertha Kundike*.

Devotees who had gathered in the vicinity of the temple chanted *Jai Jai Maata Cauvery,* hailing Goddess Cauvery. The *Theerthodbhava* occurred a minute late than the scheduled time of 7.03 am, when people went into celebration. After the Temple priests sprinkled Holy water on the gathering, *Theertha Kundike* was opened for devotees to offer prayers at about 8 am.

Every devotee was required to follow COVID-19 norms.

As the District Administration had not allowed them to draw holy water directly from *Kundike,* the devotees took the holy water filled in drums kept nearby. The usual celebratory mood around the temple was clearly missing this time.

However, the customary practice of *Pinda* offering and head tonsuring at Bhagamandala was allowed. But devotees were barred from taking holy bath in Triveni Sangama and as an alternative measure, priests sprinkled holy water on devotees.

Devotees from other districts and other parts of the State were barred from visiting Talacauvery this morning. Tight Police security was provided for the event and the Police checked every vehicle before allowing them entry.

Kodavas in traditional attire, who had arrived from other parts of the district for the annual event, walked from Bhagamandala to Talacauvery carrying *Thaliyathakki Bolcha*. Although it was dark in the wee hours, the devotees walked the path with the help of torchlights. But they were a disappointed lot, as the Police stopped them from entering.

Although MLC Veena Achaiah appealed the Police to let the devotees in, the Police had their way. Madikeri MLA Appachu Ranjan, who arrived at the venue along with District Minister V. Somanna, set aside the barricade, thus making way for the devotees who had maintained COVID-19 norms all along, to enter the temple.

Speaking to presspersons after *Theerthodbhava,* Minister Somanna said he was happy that the annual event happened smoothly without any lapses.

He said that he has prayed Goddess Cauvery on behalf of the State Government to end the deadly pandemic and save the State and country from natural calamities and disasters. He further said that he is apologetic for the people of Kodagu as restrictions were placed on their participation in the holy event.

MLC Sunil Subramani, ZP President B.A. Harish, Vice-President Lokeshwari Gopal, DC Annies Kanmani Joy, ADC Dr. Sneha, SP Kshama Mishra, Talacauvery Temple Takka Kodi Motaiah, Bhagamandala Temple Takka Balladka Appaji and a host of other officials and dignitaries were present.

As usual, Mandira family members led by M.B. Devaiah performed *Dudikott Patt* rituals to Goddess Cauvery. Ponnampet Kodava Samaja, United Kodava Organisation, Kodava Makkada Koota, Putharira Family Youth Committee, Kodava Riders Club, Bengaluru and a host of other Kodava Organisations took part.

Kani puja at Mysuru Kodava Samaja tomorrow

Kodava Samaja, Mysuru, will be celebrating *Cauvery Sankramana* at its premises in Vijayanagar 1st Stage, tomorrow (Oct. 18). Kani puja will be performed at 9.30 am. Holy Water (Theertha) will be distributed from 10 am to 12 noon to all devotees present on the occasion.

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Dr. L. Sridharmurthy (75)
Retd., Professor of Economics,
Maharani's College for women, Mysore.

A resident of Ramakrishnanagar passed away on 14th October 2020, who served as the Director of Collegiate Education, Bengaluru, Karnataka for 35 years as a reputed Teacher and a good Academician. He was also coaching for KAS & IAS aspirants during his post retirement life.
He leaves behind his wife and a son who is at United States and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral rites will be held on Sunday 18.10.2020 at 10AM.
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A TRIBUTE

B.S. Srikantaiah: A Legendary Educationist and Personality

Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala and Old Boys' Association, Mysuru, have organised a Memorial Meeting in honour of B.S. Srikantaiah, former Principal of the Vidyashala, on Sunday (Oct.18) in the Vidyashala Auditorium, Yadavagiri, at 9.30 am. Here we publish a tribute by the Monks and Staff of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala to the revered teacher, who passed away on Sept.28, 2020 after serving the institution continuously for 67 years. —Ed

B.S. Srikantaiah

We are profoundly saddened at the passing away of B.S. Srikantaiah, who was known fondly as "Namma Headmashtru" by thousands of students who trained under him at the prestigious residential Composite Pre-University College, Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala run by Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru.

Srikantaiah procured his Bachelor of Arts degree in the early 1950s with three Gold Medals from the University of Mysore and his Master's degree from the Benares University. He joined Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala in Mysuru on the day of its inception in 1953 as a teacher and made a positive impact on the young minds of the School till the day he passed away on 28th September, 2020.

He gained experience across all phases of the sector of education and was active and influential in raising thousands of young men in civil society. In a career spanning over 67 years, his continuous, unbroken commitment and service as a Teacher, Head Master and Coordinator perhaps cannot be emulated and could even enter the Guinness Book of Records.

He had the rare privilege of serving under the Founder of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala, most revered Swami Shambhavanandaji Maharaj who was the architect of building a school for the future. Srikantaiah was elevated to the position of Head Master in 1965 and successfully shaped the budding minds for the next 25 years till he retired in 1990. He contributed significantly to the dynamics of the School serving under most revered Swami Sureshanandaji Maharaj. Swamiji was a great educationist who lifted Vidyashala to great heights.

Srikantaiah continued to lend his experience and support to most revered Swami Muktidanandaji Maharaj, Adhyaksha, Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama, Mysuru, in guiding the students reach the pinnacle of glory. Their partnership and earlier pioneering commitment lent stability in making the School one of the most sought after institutions in the State today.

Known as a stern Head Master during his prime years, the students shuddered committing a mistake. A man of values, he always guided the budding minds on the right path. No work was meagre and small in his eyes. He had a keen eye for the minute details for all types of work he undertook with dignity.

Seldom will we ever come across a dedicated teacher in modern day society where modernisation has considerably declined the quality of teacher-student relationship.

There was not a thing that Srikantaiah was not aware of at the School. He shared an affectionate bonding with the staff members guiding and helping them. He also took care of their needs amicably and empathetically. The alumni thronged to the School from various parts of the globe to meet the welcoming teachers and love of the monks. At the age of 90, of late he had become soft and a little slow in his work but nobody could ever match the undaunted spirit for his love of work. He showered great affection on the present and the old students.

We stand here today with a broken heart. The loss of a guide and a mentor is something we could have never prepared for. Even during the past week, under insurmountable odds, he refused to prepare himself and was not ready for the inevitable. He had so many dreams and so many plans for the future that he would have made these dreams for the institution come true.

There is a vacuum left behind in his absence. He was prepared to fight, but never had a chance to lace up the gloves. He left us with the dignity and the respect he deserved. He achieved his goal of making us proud and himself. Our lives will never be the same; he made sure of that. He was a dreamer, a leader, a patriot, a true gentleman and was known for his sweetness and enduring wit. He could enter a room and brighten it with his smile, his attitude or just his presence.

The field of education has lost a great mentor who supported thousands of young men believe in their strengths and in making this a better place to live in. We mourn him greatly. Our beloved Srikantaiah Sir was a person who combined incredible achievement with great personal grace. He was an ardent devotee of Sri Ramakrishna, Holy Mother Sarada Devi and Swami Vivekananda. He sincerely lived their teachings and tried to translate their messages into actions in his life. A legacy has come to an end. His big shoes will never get filled.

— Monks and Staff of Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala

File photo of Swami Sureshanandaji Maharaj with B.S. Srikantaiah.

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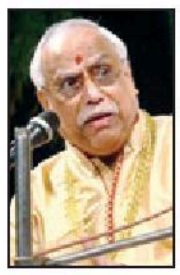
DASARA EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 17)



- **6 pm:** Inauguration of Dasara Cultural Programme and conferring of 'Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan' Award on **Pt. Vinayak Torvi** of Bengaluru at Mysore Palace. Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa will inaugurate. Karnataka Legislative Council Chairman K. Prathapachandra Shetty, Karnataka Legislative Assembly Speaker Vishweshwar Hegde Kageri, Co-operation and Mysuru District Minister S.T. Somashekar, Tourism, Kannada & Culture and Youth Empowerment and Sports Minister C.T. Ravi, Mayor Tasneem and ZP President Parimala Shyam will be the chief guests. Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas will preside.
- **7 pm to 8 pm:** Dance Feature by **Shubha Dhananjay** and troupe, Bengaluru.

DASARA EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 18)

- **7 pm to 9 pm:** Dasara Cultural Programme at Mysore Palace - Flute Recital by **Vid. Shashank Subramanyam** and troupe, Hassan.

NOTE: As there are COVID-19 restrictions, all the events will be telecast live.

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EVENTS TODAY (OCT. 17)

- **Ramsons Kala Pratishtana (RKP):** 16th edition of Bombe Mane, an exhibition of exquisite dolls, Bombe Mane auditorium, #91, above 'Aamrapali Sarees' shop, Nazarbad Main Road, **up to 7.30 pm.**
- **Indian Railways:** Railway Museum, KRS Road, opposite CFTRI Main Gate, **up to 8 pm.**
- **Sri Thyagaraja Sangeetha Sabha Charitable Trust, Mysuru:** Weekly online concert series, Karnatak vocal concert by senior artist Vid. Bellary M. Raghavendra, accompanied by senior artistes Vid. H.L. Shiavashankaraswamy on mridanga and Vid. V.S. Ramesh on morching, Trust's YouTube channel *[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC5duKEUSvk8XXBra6TWQnSA]*, **5 pm.**
- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Sri Mahavishnu Dashavatara Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Vocal Concert by Vid. Hemmige Ratna Dr. K. Vageesh and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (OCT. 18)

- **Trayinyas Shrividya Foundation:** 24th Sharannavarathri Mahotsava, Mahabhisheka, Sri Chandraghanta, Sri Jatavedadurga Puja, Saptashati Parayana, Lalitopakhyana Parayana, Sri Chakrarchane, **8.30 am;** Sri Navadurga Homa and Sri Mahapratyangeera Homa, #8, 7th Main, 3rd Block, Jayalakshmipuram, **5.30 pm.**
- **Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala and Old Boys' Association, Mysuru:** Memorial Meeting in honour of B.S. Srikantaiah, Coordinator, former Head Master and Principal of Vidyashala, who passed away on Sept. 28, 2020; Prayer and Arati at Vidyashala Prayer Hall), **9 am to 9.20 am;** Memorial Meeting in the Auditorium, **9.40 am;** Live Streaming on YouTube channel [Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama Mysuru or Sri Ramakrishna Vidyashala, Mysuru_1953], **9.15 am.**
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- **H.H. Srikantadatta Narasimharaja Wadiyar Foundation:** Livestreaming of 'National Education Policy 2020 - Drawing from India's Legacy,' Keynote Speaker - Padma Vibhushan Dr. K. Kasturirangan, Introduction of the Speaker - Padma Shri Dr. Darshan Shankar, Founder Vice-Chancellor of Trans-Disciplinary University (TDU), Yelahanka, Bengaluru and Managing Director of Foundation for Revitalization of Local Health Traditions (FRLHT) founded with Sam Pitroda, Dr. Pramoda Devi Wadiyar will be presenting Dr. K. Kasturirangan and Dr. Darshan Shankar in her opening remarks and welcome address, livestreamed from Gagana Maalige Hall of Mysore Palace, *[https://youtu.be/jQs_fx1NMkg]*, **11 am.**
- **Sri Chandramoliswara Swamy Devasthanam Charitable Trust:** Navagraha and Mrutyunjaya Homa, Temple Road, Vani Vilas Mohalla, **11.30 am.**
- **Hemmige Srivaishnava Sabha - Cultural Wing:** Navaratri Series, Veena Concert by Vidu. R. Veena and troupe, livestreaming on Facebook page *[https://www.facebook.com/HemmigeSriVaishnavaSabha/]*, **6.30 pm.**

CM to present State Sangeetha Vidwan Award to Pt. Vinayak Torvi this evening

Mysuru, Oct. 17- Bengaluru's Pt. Vinayak Torvi has been selected for this year's 'Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan' Award which will be conferred on him by Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa at the inaugural ceremony of Dasara cultural programmes at Mysore Palace premises today (Oct. 17) at 6 pm.

Profile: Pandit Vinayak Malharrao Torvi is an Indian Classical vocalist. He belongs to the Gwalior and Kirana Gharanas.

Pt. Torvi was born on 4th September 1948 in Ranebennur, in Karnataka. His father Malharrao Torvi was a Harikatha exponent. He developed a passion for music, while listening to and accompanying his father during discourses.

He started formal musical education at the age of 9 under Tammanna Gurav and then under Narayanacharya Dandapur. He received training in Hindustani classical vocal music for 15 years in Gurukul, first from Gururao Deshpande, and later from Bhimsen Joshi of the Kirana Gharana.

He received further reinforcement from musical greats such as Gangubai Hangal, Mallikarjun Mansur and Basavraj Rajguru during his PG studies in music at Karnatak University, Dharwad.

Pandit Torvi's career started in 1960, as he started performing in music concerts and winning various State and National level music competitions.

In the early 1970s, he earned a bachelor's degree in music from Karnatak University, Dharwad.

In 1976, Pandit Torvi became a graded artiste of All India Radio. At around the same time, in the late 70s, he earned his Master's in classical music from Karnatak University.

In 1980, he performed in his first major national level concert, a music conference organised by ITC at Hubballi. He later served on the board of Karnataka State Sangeet Nritya Academy for two consecutive terms.

In 1983, he established Gururao Deshpande Sangeet Sabha in Bengaluru, which was inaugurated by legendary musician Dr. Gangubai Hangal.

In 1991-92, he toured England, Scotland and France for concert and lecture-cum-demonstrations. This tour was sponsored by the Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR). Since 1985, Pandit Vinayak Torvi has performed at several music conferences and has several awards to his credit.

'Rajya Sangeetha Vidwan' Awardee Pt. Vinayak Torvi.

Air India to start Mysuru-Mangaluru flight from Oct.25

Mysuru, Oct.17- Expanding its air traffic services in the State, the Air India has decided to operate Mysuru-Mangaluru flight from Oct.25. Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha and several Industrial bodies had appealed the air service provider to operate flights between the two important cities of the State.

Air India has already been operating Bengaluru-Mangaluru flight, with departure from Bengaluru at 6.50 am. Now it plans to divert this flight via Mysuru.

Accordingly, the flight, after arrival from Bengaluru, will depart from Mysuru at 7.55 am to reach Mangaluru at 8.50 am, it is learnt.

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Traditional start for simple Dasara

The Corona Warriors, who were felicitated during Dasara inauguration atop Chamundi Hill this morning, seen with Chief Minister B. S. Yediyurappa and dignitaries.

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The inauguration was restricted only to 200 persons as per COVID-19 guidelines issued by Government of India. Citizens and tourists were barred from entering the Hill as a precaution.

Speaking after inaugurating the festival, Dr. Manjunath, who was in traditional attire of Silk dhoti, Silk shirt and Silk *shalya*, paid rich tributes to Wadiyars of Mysore for introducing Dasara festival to this city several centuries ago. Among rulers, Sri Nalwadi Krishnaraja Wadiyar has been known as the 'Architect of Modern Mysore' for bringing several people welfare programmes, that too during pre-Independence period. The Mysore Kings never restricted themselves to the Palace but became people's kings. Their contribution to the fields of health, education, irrigation and agriculture was immense, he noted.

He urged the State Government to declare those Corona Warriors, who die while on duty, as 'Martyrs' since they were fighting against an unknown and unseen enemy.

In a bid to check the pandemic, hundreds of doctors and Corona Warriors have sacrificed their lives. They also deserved all the honours on par with our soldiers on border, he said and added that they should be given certificate of appreciation from the Government.

So far, over 400 doctors have died while treating Corona positive patients. It was their duty to condole their deaths in this war of virus. The Government was doing an excellent job by honouring the Corona Warriors on this occasion and it would boost their energy to work more, he opined.

Dispelling wrong notion about the Coronavirus, Dr. Manjunath said Corona was not a stigma which has created tension around the globe. People should maintain a physical distance from patients but be with them mentally. They needed love, affection and self-confidence to recover, he said.

The Corona patients were not untouchables and a majority of them have recovered with or without medicine. Only a few percentage of patients required oxygen support and one per cent required ventilator support. Corona was like any other virus but it needed basic precautions like wearing face masks, hand hygiene and safe distance, the doctor stated.

Medicine field turns battle ground

Dr. Manjunath bemoaned that the medicine field has become a battleground and doctors were becoming patients. According to some studies, the life expectancy of doctors had decreased by around 10 years and this is attributed to professional, mental and physical pressure.

Responsibility of doctors was to give medicine to patients at the right time and no one will show negligence in treating them. Sometimes, patients die due to failure of treatment and assaulting doctors and ransacking clinics or hospitals was not correct. This was affecting the morale of the medical fraternity. For this reason doctors were not ready to work in villages. They will be able to discharge their duty if the situation was conducive, he added.

"Doctors may or may not perform *puja* at home. But they will begin their work by praying God for treatment to be successful and patients are discharged after recovering fully. They consider gift of health to patients as theirs. One cannot imagine the plight of doctors, nurses and lab technicians in Corona Wards wearing PPE kits and working for long hours. Many of them are working without seeing their families for months together. They live separately to ensure that the pandemic does not spread to their loved ones. In the process, they are losing health. Humanity is like an ocean and this stands first in medical profession", Dr. Manjunath said.

CM announces Rs. 7.50 crore for repair of 1,000 hill steps

Speaking on the occasion, CM B.S. Yediyurappa said his Government has prayed Goddess Chamundeshwari to banish the deadly virus from the whole world. The pandemic forced them to scale down the celebrations but without diluting its tradition. In the ongoing fight against COVID-19, citizens must join hands with the Government by wearing face masks, hand hygiene and social distancing.

"I am announcing release of Rs. 7.50 crore for repair of 1,000 steps leading to Hilltop and for development of Lakes — Devikere and Hirekere, from where water is collected daily to perform *abhisheka* for Goddess Chamundeshwari," he said.

Six Corona Warriors felicitated

On this occasion, six Corona Warriors from various fields — Dr. T. R. Naveen, Maragamma, Ayub Ahmed, P.M. Rukmini and Noor Jaan — were felicitated by the dignitaries. As another Corona Warrior P. Kumar, a Police Constable, could not attend the function due to personal reasons, his wife received the honour.

Co-operation and District Minister S.T. Somashekar, Agriculture Minister B.C. Patil, Mayor Tasneem, Mysuru-Kodagu MP Pratap Simha, MLAs S.A. Ramdas, L. Nagendra, B. Harshavardhan, C.S. Niranjankumar, G.T. Devegowda, MLCs A.H. Vishwanath and K.T. Srikantegowda, Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri, Temple Chief Priest Dr. Shashishekar Dixit and others were present. An elaborate security arrangement was made at the Hill top by the City Police.

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All tourist spots in Mysuru, Mandya open for visitors

Government urges people to follow COVID safety norms strictly

Mysuru, Oct. 17 (SSV)- Following pressure from travel, tourism and hospitality industry, the State Government has revoked the orders on closure of all important tourist places in both Mysuru and Mandya districts.

On Friday, a delegation of travel, tourism and hotel associations met Chief Minister B.S. Yediyurappa in city and had appealed him to reconsider the District Administration's order on closure of tourism spots till Nov. 1.

Responding to their plea, the CM had asked Mysuru Deputy Commissioner Rohini Sindhuri to reconsider her decision.

This morning, District Minister S.T. Somashekar announced revoking of the DC's order and said important tourist destinations like Mysore Palace, Mysuru Zoo, Chamundi Hill, Jayachamarajendra Art Gallery, Nanjangud's Srikanteshwaraswamy Temple in Mysuru district; and Brindavan Gardens, Ranganathittu Bird Sanctuary will also be thrown open to tourists during Dasara season. However, the State Government has urged the tourists to follow all COVID safety norms compulsorily.

Netas flout COVID guidelines

Dr. Manjunath accorded traditional honour

Mysuru, Oct. 17 (MTY&SSV)- COVID-19 guidelines issued by Union Health Ministry went for a toss due to its violation at the inauguration of Dasara atop Chamundi Hill this morning.

Although the State Government had restricted the crowd to 200, the number of Police personnel on duty crossed 100 due to presence of VVIPs. Local villagers complained that Dasara inauguration resembled BJP Convention due to presence of party workers in the enclosure meant for residents. People were allowed for the event only after producing Corona report.

Chief guest Dr. C.N. Manjunath being accorded traditional honour with a Mysuru Peta and memento of Ganesha idol.

The mandatory social distancing was flouted while offering floral tributes to the idol of Chamundeshwari as all of them jostled for the space.

CM B.S. Yediyurappa, Dr. C.N. Manjunath, Minister S.T. Somashekar, MLAs G.T. Devegowda (GTD) and S.A. Ramdas were in silk dhoti, silk shirt and silk shalya sporting a traditional look. Except JD(S) Legislators GTD and K.T. Srikantegowda, the Congress MLAs and MLCs stayed away from Dasara.

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Ala Vaikunthapurramuloo (Te)	(S-3)	4.10 pm
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